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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 15, 2000.

Election

Applicants elect the invention of Group II, claims 17-27, without traverse.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 15, 16, and 28-33, without prejudice.

Please add new claims 34-39 as follows:

34. *2* A filter element comprising:

- (a) a cylindrical extension of media defining an open filter interior;
- (b) a first end cap at one end of said cylindrical extension of media; said first end cap having a central opening, and an annular sealing portion;

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